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July 20, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR 2004 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (ALL AFFECTED) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to apply to the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for 2004 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) IX Program funds, in the amount of \$2,060,110 by July 23, 2004.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Los Angeles County has been participating in the LLEBG Program since its inception in 1996. The purpose of the recommended action is to request authorization for the Chief Administrative Officer to submit an application in the amount of \$2,060,110 to the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the 2004 LLEBG IX Program.

Following award notification, the Chief Administrative Office will return to the Board to seek approval on use of the funds.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board action is consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Service Excellence Goal No. 1, and Fiscal Responsibility Goal No. 4. Implementation of the recommendations will enable the County to pursue outside funds to continue programs which reduce crime and improve public safety.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The 2004 LLEBG IX Program will fund programs for Fiscal Year 2005-06, and represents an approximate 54.5 percent reduction from the 2003 LLEBG VIII Program. A cash match of 10 percent of the total program cost is required, and will be absorbed by the impacted departments. No additional net County cost is required at this time.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The United States Department of Justice has allocated \$115 million to the 2004 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program, for the purpose of assisting local governments in reducing crime and improving public safety. Los Angeles County may apply for \$2,060,110 of the total allocation. An application for these funds must be submitted to the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance by July 23, 2004.

Application for these funds is made collaboratively with the City of Los Angeles. Upon award notification, the LLEBG Advisory Board must meet within 90 days to review the City and County of Los Angeles proposed program allocations. In addition, each jurisdiction must hold at least one public hearing regarding the proposed use of funds. At the close of the hearing, the Chief Administrative Office will seek Board approval of the proposed use of funds.

The LLEBG Advisory Board is authorized to make non-binding recommendations to the local unit of government regarding the use of program funds. Pursuant to program requirements, the Advisory Board is comprised of representatives from each of the following: local law enforcement agency (Los Angeles Police and Sheriff's Department), local prosecutors (District Attorney), local court system (Superior Court), local public school system (Los Angeles Office of Education), and a local non-profit educational,

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religious, or community group active in crime prevention or drug-use prevention treatment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended action will enable the continued funding of programs that reduce crime and increase public safety in our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. JANSSEN

Chief Administrative Officer

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Sheriff

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Executive Officer/Clerk, Superior Court

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